

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation--a resulting narrowed pool of actors have an interest to color rather than enhance the range of information provided to the public.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Its decision shows blatant disregard for the intent of these rules.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Please use the legal authority vested in the FCC to urge Sinclair to provide balanced coverage, or to risk limiting its ability to use public airwaves.

Thank you.